

I embody a relentless passion to connect people with powerful experiences that simplify their world

EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Master of Information,
User Experience Design &
Critical Information Policy Studies
2021

OCAD University

Bachelor of Design,
Advertising Entrepreneurship & Social Innovation focus
2018

HACKATHONS

Rotman Design Challenge, 2020

The DMZ - #HackTheCurve, 2020

PUBLICATIONS

Hanson, E., Li, A. Z. W., Girgis, J., & Ali, K. (2020). How to Build Learning Communities: Connecting K-12 and Post-Secondary Educators. Innovation Hub, University of Toronto.

LEADERSHIP

Faculty Council Representative

Master of Information Student Council

Faculty of Information, University of Toronto Sep 2019 - May 2020

Board Member - Undergraduate

OCAD University, Board of Governors Sep 2016 - June 2018

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

UX Designer

TVO - Ontario Educational Communications Authority

Toronto

March 2021- Present

 Worked on building web and app solutions for news and streaming media that align with digital transformation initiatives through secondary and primary research. Collaborated with dev, product and design teams to create a usable, accessibility focused app for iOS and Android and responsive site that aligns with industry comparables

UX Specialist - Co-op Rotman Commerce, University of Toronto

Toronto

May 2020- Aug 2020

 created accessible instructional learning solutions through design as well as primary and secondary research while providing a strategic plan for online event and learning engagement during the beginning of COVID-19 pandemic.

Design Researcher

Innovation Hub, University of Toronto

Toronto

Sept 2019- Feb 2020

 Performed primary and secondary research, literature reviews and used design thinking methods to create solutions that helped to engage primary and post secondary teacher collaboration

Strategy Intern

Traffik Group

Toronto

Feb 2019- Mar 2019

 Conducted research, data analysis and social media tracking for brands such as Hain Celestial, Scott's Canada, Kroger, Chevron & Target. Created a robust asset management system for client while working extensively for both brand and social strategy within the

Freelance Strategic Designer

Eric Hanson Design

Toronto

Sept 2014- May 2018

Provided creative strategies and execution for a variety of clients in the GTA such as York
University, Bold Magazine and the Tourism Authority of Thailand in both print, digital
(graphic design & UX) and worked extensively to with clients to develop solutions collaboratively

SKILLS

Advertising Strategy
Design Strategy
Business Innovation
Content Strategy
Strategic Planning

Qualitative Research Design Thinking Data Analysis Project Management Retail Management Adobe Creative Suite InVision Sketch Figma Video Production Privacy & IP Policy Data & AI Policy Information Policy Social Media Content Auditing

Google Analytics Adsense Presentation Design Digital Marketing Card Sorting Art Direction
Branding
Copywriting
Design
Information Architecture